

Admission to the WUST-WU “X + Y” Program

There is a **separate application for admission** to the WUST-WU “X+Y” Program. Students from the School of Management at the Wuhan University of Science and Technology (WUST) normally apply for admission while they are attending Washburn University as a visiting or exchange student and are enrolled in classes in either intensive English, or business and economics, or both.

Applications can be made at any time; an admission decision can be made as early as January 31 after the completion of one semester of course work at Washburn--*if all the other documents in the application file have been received*. For example, a WUST student who starts at Washburn University as an exchange student in the fall semester can look for a decision on his or her application to continue in the “X+Y” Program as a degree-seeking student as early as January 31 of the next year. Applications completed after March 31 will be considered late and will be reviewed as time permits.

Applicants should not travel to China or elsewhere outside of the United States without being admitted to the “X+Y” Program and receiving the new I-20 document. Any travel plans, including airline reservations and purchase of air tickets, should be made with this timetable in mind.

If students are not able to complete their application before departure, they may be permitted an extension of their student status or conversion to degree-seeking status but at the *Non-Kansas Resident tuition rate*.

A **complete application for admission** to the “X+Y” Program includes

- 1) a letter of application to the Associate Dean, Washburn School of Business requesting admission to the X + Y Program,
- 2) an application to the Washburn University Office of International Programs to be accepted to Washburn University as a degree-seeking student,
- 3) complete and final transcripts in Chinese with an English translation from WUST of all course work taken at WUST sent to the Washburn School of Business directly from WUST,
- 4) an evaluation of the transcript of course work taken at WUST by a Washburn-recognized evaluation agency (which requires a previous evaluation done in China) sent to the Washburn University Office of International Programs. To meet this requirement, the School of Business recommends ECE and requires the “course-by-course” report),
- 5) a recently confirmed nomination to the “X+Y” Program from the International Affairs Office at WUST, and
- 6) successful completion of one semester of course work at Washburn University.

At this time, the **letter of application** for admission to the “X+Y” Program” is a request to be admitted to the program and to continue at Washburn University as a degree-seeking student seeking a bachelor degree in the School of Business. The letter of application should also include statements that the student agrees to:

- understand and follow the rules of the School of Business and Washburn University ,
- use Washburn’s academic advising materials for his or her degree program,
- understand the requirements of the degree program, and
- generally accept the responsibility to organize his or her academic program in accord with the advising materials and program requirements.

The second most important part of the application for admission is the **evaluation of the student’s WUST transcript by a Washburn-recognized evaluating agency**. The School of Business recommends a report from ECE (<https://www.ece.org>) (Educational Credential Evaluators) and requires a detailed “course-by-course” report. Please note that according to the ECE web site, “ECE now requires a China Qualifications Verification Credentials Report” . . . and . . . for incomplete programs, just the Chinese language grade report. The verification report, in Chinese, must be sent directly to ECE by the China Academic Degrees and Graduate Education Development Center” (CDGDC).

Assistance in preparing the application: In preparing their application to continue as degree-seeking students, students should seek the assistance of their advisers in China, both in the WUST International Relations Office and in the WUST School of Management. Because the applications and supporting documents are to be evaluated by Washburn University, it is the responsibility of the student and other advisers to prepare the application materials to be reviewed. WUST advisers have the best understanding of the two stage-stage process of transcript evaluation, especially since the first part takes place primarily in Chinese.

The benefits of being admitted to the X+Y program include conversion to degree-seeking status at Washburn University, extension of the student's I-20 document, and continuation of the tuition rate at the Kansas resident rate for a total of no more than three years. After a transition period, WUST students are processed and advised like other degree-seeking students and have the same rules and responsibilities as all degree-seeking students.

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